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Long Beach Homeowner Pleads To Shooting Officer in the Face

A 53-year-old Long Beach man pleaded no contest today to the attempted murder of a Long Beach city code enforcement inspector and then holding police at bay for hours in 2012, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Anthony Glen Gorospe is expected to be sentenced to 25 years in state prison when he returns to Los Angeles County Superior Court in Long Beach, Department S20, on April 14 in case NA092748.

Deputy District Attorney Geoffrey Lewin with the Crimes Against Peace Officers Unit is handling the case.

Gorospe admitted opening fire on a city inspector and a cleaning crew who arrived around 8 a.m. on July 5, 2012 to begin cleanup. His home in the 6100 block of North John Avenue had received several code violations.

Firing from inside his front door, Gorospe hit the city inspector near the left eye. The inspector, 51, lost the use of that eye, Lewin said. Gorospe also pleaded no contest to two counts of assault on a peace officer with a semiautomatic firearm for shooting at officers while he was barricaded inside his home for seven hours.

The case was investigated by the Long Beach Police Department.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the [Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office](http://da.lacounty.gov) prosecuted more than 71,000 felony defendants and nearly 112,000 misdemeanor defendants.